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ADRP 1, 'The Army Profession', has been approved for distribution and use in professional development programs throughout the Army and is available at <http://cape.army.mil/aaop/>. The official launch of ADRP 1 will coincide with the 238th anniversary of the Army Birthday, 14 June 2013.

This is the first doctrinal publication in the Army's long history solely dedicated to establishing a common understanding of our profession. The manual comprehensively explains the Army Profession membership, its five essential characteristics, the certification requirements for individual Army professionals, and the content of the Army Ethic. The material applies to all Soldiers – Active, Guard and Reserve – and Department of the Army Civilians.

ADRP 1 is the doctrinal basis for the ongoing "America's Army-Our Profession" education and training program for CY13. This program is designed to teach and inspire understanding of the Army Profession and to enhance commitment to our professional obligations and opportunities. The program is based around four quarterly themes: Standards and Discipline; Customs, Courtesies, and Traditions; Military Expertise; and Trust. Each enduring theme has a support package on the above-cited website, and they should be used during that quarter and again any time afterward.

An entire suite of readily available resources that all leaders can use in their professional development programs can also be found on that website. The resources, embedded in each quarter's theme support package, can be accessed without a CAC card on any personal computing device. It takes less than 45 minutes to prepare an engaging one-hour session for a small group, interactive discussion.

If you have questions about the "America's Army-Our Profession" program, doctrine or resources, contact SGM David Stewart, Senior Enlisted Advisor, Center for the Army Profession and Ethic, at david.stewart@usma.edu or 845-938-0554. Additionally, if you would like to host an Army Profession seminar at your location, CAPE leadership can present the Army Profession material to any audience.

The future of our organization will be shaped by your efforts to educate our Army Team on this critically important topic.

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